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For : NOVEL METHOD FOR THE GENERATION AND  
SELECTION OF TRANSGENIC LINSEED/FLAX  
PLANTS

New York, New York  
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Hon. Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examining this application, please amend the application as  
follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

On page 1, immediately below the title, please insert the following  
paragraph:

This application is a continuation of International Application No.  
PCT/EP00/06969, filed July 20, 2000.